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AWARD		CATEGORY (If Applicable)		AWARD PERIOD
Outstanding Public Affairs, Senior Grade Civilian		Individual		Jan 01 - Dec 01
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SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS (Use single-spaced, bullet format)

## **Overall Effectiveness/Job Accomplishment**

- Consummate communicator & prolific writer: wrote 54 high-quality, major technical and human interest news releases for internal and external print, and electronic media outlets; simply the best!
- -- Documented Air Force milestones to ensure continued public support/funding for Aeronautical Systems Center and Air Force Research Laboratory programs at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
- Media relations expert; effectively handled nonstop information demands from local, national, regional and international print/electronic media; executed more than 125 one-on-one interviews and media escort events to maximize positive Air Force coverage; give her a challenge and she gets results

**Leadership/Organizational & Planning Skills** 

- Ensured solid media access to key ASC defense acquisition programs: Reconnaissance System Program Office (SPO)--supported "firsts" for Predator and Global Hawk Unmanned Aerial Vehicles
- -- Supported live firing of Hellfire missile from Predator, marking Air Force weaponization success
- -- Clearly communicated the historical and military significance of Global Hawk's six-week, 15,000mile deployment to RAAF Edinburgh, Australia for joint international exercise Tandem Thrust 2001
  - --- Covered by hundreds of media with at least 8 cover stories in world's defense trade press
  - --- Served three weeks overseas with 90-person, on-site U.S./Australia team to support mission
- Garnered heavy media interest in Aging Aircraft SPO, authoring release on creation of one-star unit to extend the life of all aging Air Force aerospace platforms--result: major CNN/defense trade coverage
- Successfully parlayed constant media interest in Flight Training SPO programs such as Joint Primary Aircraft Training System/T-6A Texan II, T-38, and T-1 into opportunities to push key AF messages
- Successfully translated Training Systems Product Group success stories into plain English for media
- Planned and executed 11 teleconference calls to support U.S.-Australian public affairs working group team support for Global Hawk deployment Down Under; four teleconference calls in support of Global Hawk mission to Canada; and numerous calls with HQ Air Force/Acquisition officials to support Global Hawk's "EuroHawk 2002" planned October appearance at Berlin Air Show

## **Judgment/Decisions**

- Excelled at articulating and supporting higher management goals; consistently sought cooperation, consensus with international and U.S. counterparts, opening doors to more communication venues
- Actively mentored less-experienced ASC and AFRL spokespersons during media training; investment of time and talent will pay big dividends as these up-and-comers help hammer home AF messages
- "Planned her work and worked her plan" to satisfy customers in spite of rapidly-changing priorities
- Anticipated and planned for contingency backups to avoid adverse media coverage; rehearsed source experts to ensure credible response to media, providing "lessons learned" to improve interview skills

## **Communication Skills**

- Clear, concise journalist, producing on average one or more solid, compelling news releases per week throughout the year on widely-varying, technically complex, defense acquisition topics, ranging from today's Global Hawk and Predator UAV successes to recreation of historic Wright brothers' 1901 glider experiments at Kill Devil Hills, N.C.; first all-composite bridge deck opening at Wright-Patt; Next-Generation Small Loader operational tests; July Wright-Patt Aero Club fatal crash; AFRL Project Materials-International Space Station-Experiment work; release of Wright-Patt workers after 9/11/01 terrorist attacks; base leaders' 9/17/01 "town hall" meeting for community on AFMC/ASC/ AFRL support to the warfighter and military readiness, security; predicting best "war weather" via UAVs; JPATS' full-rate production approved; and Aging Aircraft SPO marks first year successes.
- Only accredited PRSA member on staff, committed to continuous growth of public affairs as a lifetime profession; always on the lookout for self-improvemnt and professional growth opportunities
- Trusted counsel to ASC, AFRL leaders interacting daily with world's media on sensitive, critical defense matters; advises wisest response to ensure positive outcome; cornerstone of the PA team!

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